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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.11

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the fourth Office action dated January 20, 2000, a one month extension of time for response being requested from April 20, 2000 to May 20, 2000, the following remarks are submitted.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22-26 remain pending in this application.

Applicants acknowledge the withdrawal of the outstanding final rejection. According to the new Office action, claims 1 and 3 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3 of U.S. Patent No. 5,839,307.